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1. PREAMBULAR LANGUAGE PROPOSED BY U.S. IN REFTTEL A. DOES NOT MAKE BILATERAL GEOTHERMAL ARRANGEMENT "SUBORDINATE TO OR INCLUDED WITHIN IEA GEOTHERMAL ARRANGEMENT." FORMULATION DESIGNED TO POINT OUT EXISTENCE OF IMPORTANT AND PRODUCTIVE MULTILATERAL MECHANISM IN WHICH BOTH JAPAN AND U.S. ARE ACTIVE PARTNERS AND WITH WHICH THERE IS NEED TO AVOID UNNECESSARY DUPLICATION OF EFFORT.

2. IN ORDER TO CLARIFY U.S. INTENT AND TO MAKE LANGUAGE PARALLEL TO THAT USED IN DRAFT BILATERAL SOLAR AGREEMENT SUGGEST THAT LANGUAGE PROPOSED REFTTEL A. BE DROPPED AND FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL ARTICLE BE ADDED TO BODY OF TEXT:
"IN THE COURSE OF BILATERAL COOPERATION UNDER THIS AGREE-
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MENT, THE PARTIES AGREE TO TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THOSE

MULTILATERAL COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES IN THE FIELD OF GEO-THERMAL ENERGY IN WHICH THEIR RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS MAY

PARTICIPATE SUCH AS THOSE UNDER THE AEGIS OF THE INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY."

3. ERDA IN PROCESS OF PREPARING ADDITIONAL COMMENTS ON GEOTHERMAL AGREEMENT WHICH WILL INCORPORATE THE ABOVE LANGUAGE. KISSINGER

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